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SECURITY INFORMATION

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National Presidential Garrison

This is a special presidential guard battalion and is not included in the above Order of Battle report.

Presidential Guard:

Chiefs and officials

Officials of the presidential guard (Special Battalion) 30
11

Presidential Guard Battalion

✓ Three infantry companies

Total

Equipment:

Officers: 44 caliber 45 submachine guns
44 caliber 45 automatic pistols

Troops: 36 "Mendoza" machine guns
350 Czech 7.8 mm. rifles
undetermined number caliber 50 machine guns
" " " 30 " "
" " 60 mm. mortars

Organization of the companies:

Four platoons
Each platoon 3 squads
Each squad

Officers	Men
4	116
1	29
	9

Presidential mansion:

✓ One infantry company
✓ One heavy weapons company

Total

Officers

7
5

12

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Men
111
53

164

103
The largest concentration of on-duty sentries in the city seemed to be in the guard room of the National Palace. Perhaps it would be better to say, just behind the National Palace, at the side of the President's home. There were some thirty men here when I passed at eight-thirty in the evening. They seemed to be alert, and there were at least three machine-guns present.

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